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**OUR WORD, PAGE 4:**  
Gus Bode says let's put on our thinking caps.



## Students in danger of losing Rebound

Alternative school another victim of budget woes

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Sixteen years into his life, Mat Kelly is already pessimistic about his chances at success.

After today, Kelly has no idea where he can go to help him graduate high school, as the last school to give him a chance is scheduled to close its doors indefinitely.

Kelly, of Pinckneyville, is one of the latest victims of a state budget mess that has left many social service agencies with few financial options. Kelly is one of roughly 400 students served annually by Operation Rebound, an alternative high school that helps students ages 16 and older earn diplomas and GEDs.

"I don't know what I'll do. No high school will take me in. They say I'm too far behind," Kelly said as he took a break from gathering as many credits as he could before the school closes its summer session today. "This is my last option. It's going to be tough."

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— Mat Kelly  
Operation Rebound Center student

Kelly said he first arrived Jan. 7 at Rebound, which was established in Carbondale in 1970 to help students who, for various reasons, could not finish their education at a traditional high school.

Since he arrived at Rebound, Kelly said he has stayed out of trouble, made



**Teachers Marla Martin, left, and Bob Chamberlain discuss their students' grades and the possibility of unemployment at the Operation Rebound Center in Carbondale Wednesday. The alternative school, which gives students the opportunity to make up credits toward a high school diploma, will close indefinitely today because of state budget cuts.**

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great strides in his understanding of math and now has an idea of what he wants to do with his life.

But his goals of post-graduation culinary school may be difficult, he said, because he is too far behind in his schooling for many area high schools to consider him. He said staff members at Rebound have suggested he get his GED, but that certificate would not allow him to pursue his higher

education goals.

Rebound operated this year with \$461,000 worth of grants administered by the Illinois Board of Education, the Illinois Community College Board and the Southern Illinois Workforce Investment Board, said June Hickey, director of the school.

But with funding for those grants diminished, students throughout southern Illinois — as far as Chester

and Percy — may lose out on programs to help them earn their diploma, obtain their GED or get assistance taking care of their children.

A somber tone has filled the air of the school in the past weeks as staff and students became more aware of how difficult funding would be, said Sandy Snowden, family literacy coordinator at the school for the past eight years.

Several staff members, including Snowden, huddled around a computer Tuesday to listen to the Illinois State Board of Education meeting. The group cut roughly \$400 million from programs serving school children in reaction to the lack of state funds.

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## 'Greenest Campus' competition could net university \$20,000

Grassroots contest promotes individual energy efficiency

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Ryan Lichtenstein never considered himself much of an environmentalist.

But after landing a summer internship with a Washington company that specializes in marketing energy-efficient companies, Lichtenstein, a junior from Carol Stream studying radio-television, found himself in a position to make a difference and find a passion.

As part of his internship with SmartPower, Lichtenstein is responsible for helping the university participate in the company's America's Greenest Campus contest, the first nationwide contest among colleges

to reduce the carbon footprints of its students, faculty and staff — a contest that could net the university up to \$20,000.

"SIU is a big environmental school, and I think we can get a lot done," Lichtenstein said. "Part of my internship is to make sure that SIU does the contest right. This isn't exactly the field I want to go into, but it's a good place for a kid to do something and make his mark on the world."

The contest is broken into three phases: \$5,000 to the school with the most participants, \$5,000 to the school with the largest percentage of carbon emissions reduced and \$10,000 to the winner of the SmartPower Energy Smart Ad Challenge, where participants can create their own video advertise-

ment to raise awareness about energy efficiency.

As of Wednesday, SIUC ranked 28th in total members (33) and 27th in carbon emissions reduced (3.99 percent). There are 451 universities competing.

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The contest runs through Oct. 5 and winners will be announced Dec. 5.

"You learn through the contest and the software how to tweak your daily actions," said Andrew Vorris, communications manager with SmartPower. "Some are simple and really pertain to a college lifestyle. Not leaving your cell phone charger plugged in all the time. Using power strips for video games. Things that sound minimal in the scheme of things but are actually not."

Vorris, an SIUC alumnus, said the contest has been a grassroots effort that has already gathered more than 12,000 participants nationwide.

In SIUC's case, both Vorris and Lichtenstein have reached out to SIUC senior Jon Dyer, who has led numerous green initiatives on campus including the university's first student green fee.

**See GREEN | 2**



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**To join SIUC's efforts**, go to <http://americasgreenestcampus.com> and sign up with your school e-mail address OR visit the team's Facebook group page by searching "SIUC America's Greenest Campus."



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# GREEN

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"It's really perfect timing (for the contest)," Dyer said. "Especially because of the green fee. Students put a lot of effort into something that was going to tax them and was something they would pay in to. So it makes sense to get money for our

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Vorris said the contest is more of an individual learning process than anything.

Once participants register, they can pledge to reduce their carbon footprints by implementing daily energy saving activities.

Once a participant pledges to an activity, the contest's software

get As and Bs. You can work at your own pace so I get things done faster and there's a lot of benefits for being pregnant," she said.

The school is also able to serve a variety of youth who have had trouble with the law in the past, said Mark Hutchings, a former probation officer who now teaches at the school.

Hutchings said he has worked at Rebound since 2002 and has referred students there since the 1980s. He said the school was one of the few programs he sent students on probation to that actually worked to turn their lives around.

After meeting with the Carbondale High School District 165 superintendent Wednesday, Hickey said she is confident the center would continue to help students. She does not know when or to what extent they could continue to offer programs, she said.

"Rebound will be here. The scope of its services, I don't know about right now," she said. "I don't know when our doors will open, but we will definitely open our doors. We will be doing educational services for dropout youth for sure here."

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# Pullout from Iraq on schedule, Obama says

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THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — President Obama said Wednesday the United States will stick to its schedule and remove all its troops from Iraq by the end of 2011 even though there will be “tough days ahead.”

Standing in the Rose Garden alongside Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, Obama said the two nations were in the midst of a “full transition” that would be based on mutual interest and respect.

He brushed off some American military complaints that Iraq was placing too many limits on what U.S. troops could do after their recent withdrawal from Iraqi cities.

Obama cited differences in strategy between Iraqi security forces and U.S. troops who have pulled back from the cities but remain in the country. There are still more than 130,000 U.S. forces in Iraq.

“Overall, we have been very

encouraged by the progress that has been made,” Obama said.

He said that doesn't mean there aren't persistent dangers inside Iraq and militants who “still resort to killing innocents and senseless bombings.”

It was Obama's first meeting with al-Maliki at the White House. They met in Iraq in April.

Obama said the U.S. withdrawal from Iraq's cities should “send an unmistakable signal that we will keep our commitments with the Iraqi people.”

“We'll move forward with our strategy to responsibly remove all American combat brigades from Iraq by the end of next August and to fulfill our commitment to remove all American troops from Iraq by the end of 2011,” Obama said.

He said both he and the Iraqi prime minister “have no doubt that there will be some tough days ahead. There will be attacks on Iraqi security forces and the American troops supporting them. There are still those in Iraq who

would murder innocent men, women and children. There are still those who want to foment sectarian conflict.”

“But make no mistake, those efforts will fail,” Obama said.

Obama said the United States does not seek any military bases in Iraq and makes no claim on Iraqi oil resources or territory.

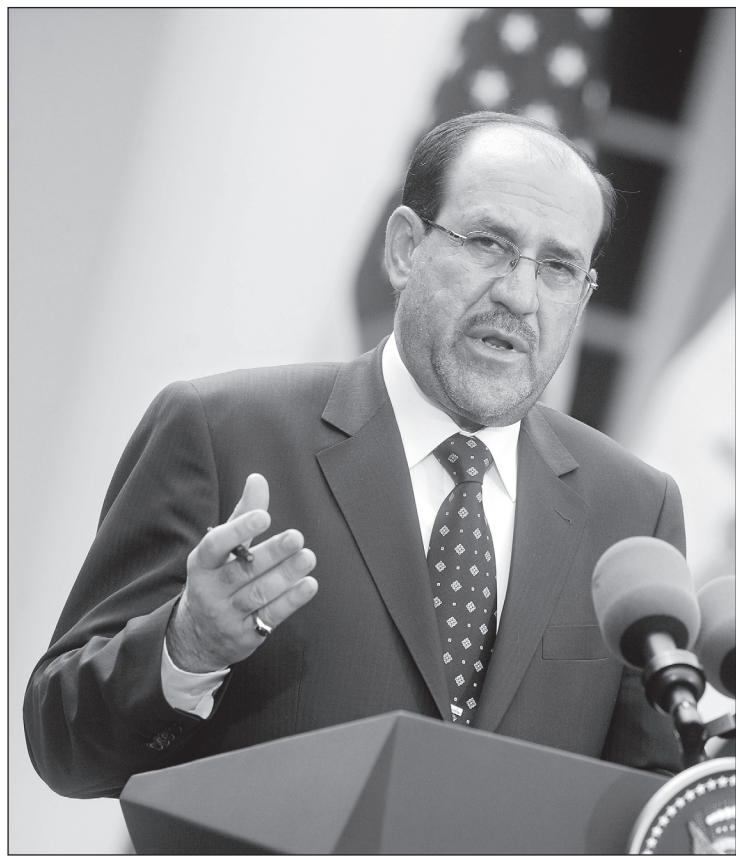
For his part, al-Maliki said the two presidents talked about “every possible area” where the U.S. could play a role in working with the Iraqi government.

“We are about to activate such a strategic framework agreement,” he said.

Al-Maliki is in the United States partly in an effort to encourage foreign investors to return to doing business in his country.

He said Iraqi forces have become “highly capable” after working alongside American troops.

Al-Maliki also pledged to work to ease sectarian unrest in his country among rival Shiite, Sunni and Kurdish factions.



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**Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki holds a joint press conference with President Obama in the White House.**

# Mumbai gunman says he's ready for gallows

**Erika Kinetz**  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MUMBAI, India — The young Pakistani gunman who confessed to his role in the Mumbai attacks says he would rather be hanged in this world than face “God's punishment” in the next.

The Indian court trying Ajmal Kasab has yet to accept his confession and guilty plea for taking part in one of the worst terrorist attacks in Indian history — three days of carnage in November that left 166 people dead. Judge M.L. Tahilyani said he would decide Thursday whether to accept the confession,

which describes in detail Kasab's links with a shadowy but well-organized group in Pakistan.

“Whatever I have done, I have done in this world. It would be better to be punished in this world. It would be better than God's punishment. That's why I have pleaded guilty,” Kasab told the court Wednesday.

Kasab unexpectedly confessed Monday to taking part on the first day of the attacks in downtown Mumbai, India's financial and entertainment capital. His statement bolsters India's charges that terrorist groups in neighboring Pakistan were

behind the well-planned attack, and that it is not doing enough to clamp down on them.

“If I am hanged for this, I am not bothered,” he said. “I don't want any mercy from the court. I understand the implications of my accepting the crime.”

Chief Prosecutor Ujjwal Nikam spent Wednesday poking holes in Kasab's confession, saying it is neither complete nor accurate. He maintains that Kasab is trying to minimize his role in the carnage to avoid the death penalty and protect his alleged co-conspirators in Pakistan.

Kasab admitted in his statement

Monday that he sprayed gunfire into the crowd at Mumbai's main train station, and described in detail a network of training camps and safe houses across Pakistan, revealing the names of four men he said were his handlers.

He said he'd been swept up into Islamist militancy because he was poor and disaffected — a far less fiery claim than he made before a judge in February, when he said he wanted to assault India in order to free the divided region of Kashmir where Muslim militants are fighting for independence. He has since recanted the February

statement, saying it was obtained under duress.

Kasab initially pleaded not guilty to 86 charges including murder and waging war against India, which is punishable by up to death. He said he made the abrupt about-face because the Pakistani government acknowledged he was a national and would soon begin legal proceedings against the alleged masterminds of the attack.

On Monday, Kasab also denied that he'd killed four Mumbai policemen whose high-profile deaths remain touchstones of grief and anger in India.

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“ The whole country is laughing at us. ”

Abel Maldonado
California state senator, on the state’s budget struggles

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OUR WORD

Enrollment solutions more complicated than a report

The SIU Board of Trustees said last week it would seek regular reports on the status of the university’s enrollment, which has lagged below desired levels for years.

The implications of the enrollment problem are obvious and circular: If there are fewer students, the university makes less money. If the university makes less money, it cannot afford to fix classrooms, hire new teachers, furnish programs, provide financial aid or add amenities to the campus. Illinois’ state government, being in a perpetual state of ruin, fails to come in with any substantial relief. Because the campus falls into deterioration, fewer students come to the university. The cycle begins again, with administrators and media (including this editorial board) dissembling as they struggle to identify the problem’s source.

It is not likely these reports will be any more helpful than the scores of similar reports, review committees and other academic exercises in impotence. However, SIUC administrators have not done everything wrong, either. There are a handful of initiatives they could nurture that, as a concerted effort, could help turn the tide on this crisis.

Teaching

The university has some wonderful teachers, no question, and we do not intend to detract from the positive way those professors affect the lives of their students every day. Still, SIUC’s mission to become a “research institution” means that many professors are more concerned with publishing, researching and achieving tenure than they are with their students. Many colleges are judged by the number of tenured faculty members and the amount of research they have published — factors that mean very little to the average freshman falling asleep in a class taught by one of these distracted professors. Compare that level of instruction to community colleges, where teachers are focused solely on teaching and tuition is far cheaper. It’s no wonder we face substantial competition there.

The university must find a way to reward professors who care about teaching.

Leadership

The search for a new chancellor is well under way and the university is expected to have a new leader by this time next year. This man or woman should have a vision for change at SIUC

and someone with a plan to combat retention problems. And he or she should not shy away from a challenge or waffle when asked tough questions, the way former Chancellor Fernando Trevino did when he said during the hiring process that he was not sure if he could handle the obstacles SIUC presents. We do not need someone who is hopeful; we need someone who is sure.

Community

The living-learning communities in the residence halls are a great way to help new students make friends, so that they become involved and engaged on campus and in classes. The First-Year Experience program, if it ever gets off the ground, aims to help in a similar way by sending freshmen to the same events and seminars. These initiatives are proactive, not reactive, and administrators should pay attention: They’re working.

Of course, these suggestions barely graze the surface. What do you think the university could do to help the enrollment problem? Send us a letter to voices@siude.com . Include your name and phone number.

THE DUKE REPORT

Reading past the headline



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Chances are, if this paper cost a quarter, you wouldn’t be reading it right now. Chances are, you get your news from the Internet, where it’s free. And chances are that if you get your news from the Internet, you get at least some from The Drudge Report, a rotting piece of hot, digital garbage from Matt Drudge.

Here are the numbers when I last checked at 11 a.m. Sunday: 23,662,366 hits in the past 24 hours; 682,817,355 hits in the past month and 8,096,299,657 hits in the past year. Eight billion hits a year and counting.

So what news is the Drudge Report breaking to 25 million sets of eyeballs across the globe today? IN DEFENSE OF HAM, sub-headline: RECOVERY.GOV// AWARDED: \$1,191,200 FOR ‘2 POUND FROZEN HAM SLICED’, \$5,708,260 in PROCESS CHEESE, etc. This confirms it, the recovery plan was an actual pork product, get it, with a million-dollar ham.

I was hoping for a good example of how disingenuous the Drudge Report is, and how much of a hack, Tool Matt Drudge, is and Monday failed to disappoint. The Drudge links are to the Federal Recovery Act’s Web site, which tracks every dollar allotted through the stimulus package (not the bailout). Drudge, a self described conservative, is attempting to

illustrate how wasteful the stimulus package was by highlighting individual drops in the bucket. Of course, the \$25 million or so represents only a tiny fraction of the stimulus overall. But unsound logic isn’t just what’s going on here. Sometimes Drudge is intellectually lazy, sometimes he’s outrageous, but sometimes, like here, he’s just straight up lying.

The blatantly disingenuous title and the lack of context amount to intentionally deceiving readers. He is getting paid ad revenue to lie to people who come to him looking for news of what’s going on in the world. Tool.

This means while at first glance, Drudge’s Web site seems like a snapshot of major stories affecting you right now, really it’s just a warped interpretation from an idiot in a Fedora.

The \$5,708,260 in PROCESS CHEESE money he links to, is a perfect illustration of how much of a capital-T Tool Matt Drudge is. Gossip Web site Gawker, whose journalism looks like Walter Cronkite (RIP) compared to Drudge, quickly found out exactly how wasteful and frivolous this cheese was: It was allocated for food banks and food stamps.

GIVING POOR AND HUNGRY PEOPLE CHEESE: Ruthlessly wasteful socialism to Matt Drudge.

Drudge uses his crappy, minimalist format at

his Web site to distort the truth as he sees fit. He only has short, ALL CAPS TITLES that he phrases in order to get the most traffic possible. It’s not about what the article actually says, it’s about directing traffic to it in order to gain revenue. And Drudge does this by putting his own spin on the article, linking with a title that often implies something the article does not.

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Matt Drudge wouldn’t matter though if he didn’t actually have influence. Twenty-five million hits a day is a lot of traffic and his site can dictate the news of the day. Whether it is pictures of Obama in a turban or Monica Lewinsky, every time he “breaks a story,” the rest of the media follow at 100 miles per hour.

Matt Drudge was never meant to be a gatekeeper of information in the digital age. He was a hack with a laptop who shrewdly developed a following during the early days of the Internet.

But in this new-media age, we have to be careful what we are reading. DON’T BELIEVE EVERYTHING YOU READ should be engraved on top of every computer monitor sold. So whether it’s mainstream or underground, left or right, Matt Drudge or Arianna Huffington, critically think through what they are telling you. Don’t just read the damn headline.

And maybe, just maybe, consider that good reporting costs money. And good writers gotta get paid.

O’Connor is a junior studying political science and philosophy.



THE LEFT-HANDED PEN

# Health care reform just makes sense



This columnist loses his current health care coverage Aug. 1.

Since last August my previous employer, the McClatchy Company, has kicked in \$312.33 each month toward my health care coverage. One American company paying more than \$3,700 in insurance premiums for someone who has not worked for them in more than a year. That’s America.

Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius said recently on “The Daily Show” that 180 million Americans receive health care coverage through an employer; roughly 12,000 persons a day are losing that coverage.

Labeling the health care reform championed by the Obama Administration as socialized medicine ignores the existing business model. Our current funding method

is already a crippling financial burden on employers. There is an exception, of course. Wal-Mart does not provide its employees with health care coverage. In effect, our system subsidizes Sam Walton’s heirs.

When I was president of the Sparta Chamber of Commerce in 2005, we worked on a program to offer health insurance to employees in small businesses. The concept was to bundle enough businesses together to lower premiums. The program would run through local insurance agencies. That is where the project fell apart. The brand name insurers did not participate and the smaller agents had personality conflicts.

Opponents of the Obama plan engage in the scare tactic that it will be government run. A governmental official will be making your health care choices instead of the benevolent HMO functionary now trying to have your claim declared a pre-existing condition.

Sometimes the government can do some things better. If you are overseas, would

you rather be protected by a Blackwater contractor or a U.S. Marine?

The Congressional Budget Office issued a report last week on the cost of the Obama plan. Too expensive, critics say. Health care is already a tremendous drain on our economy. Action is needed now. Nitpicking reform proposals is just politics as usual. Ignoring the necessity for reform these past eight years has only worsened the patient’s condition. At its nadir, the health care industry started investing in judicial campaigns, including our own Illinois Supreme Court race.

The Obama Administration has effectively co-opted many of the ploys used to fight past reform efforts. Currently they are mass e-mailing supporters to engage in letter-writing campaigns. What is that message?

Forty-six million Americans are uninsured.

Premiums are growing four times faster than wages.

Half of all personal bankruptcies stem

from medical expenses.

- Principles of the Obama plan are:
- Reduce costs by improving efficiency and investing in preventative care.
- Guarantee every American the right to choose their plan and doctor—including a public insurance option.
- Ensure quality, affordable care for every American.

It just makes sense.

While waiting for the politics to play out, this columnist found an option to employer-provided insurance by going back to school.

My monthly COBRA premiums are slated to rise to \$400 come Aug. 1, so obtaining health coverage through my student fees is actually cost-effective.

SIU – come for the education, stay for the health care.

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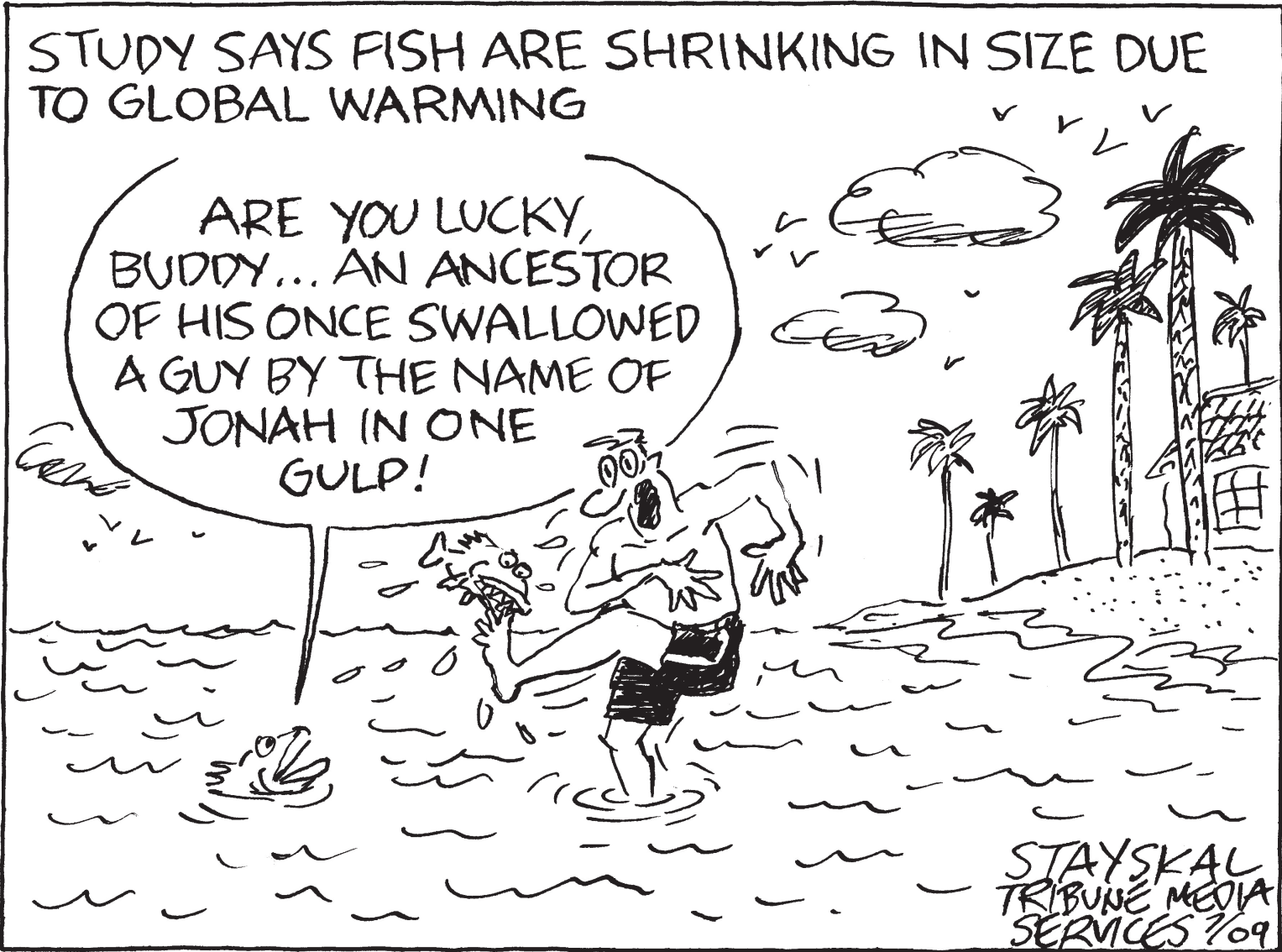
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# Getting rowdy with Greensky Bluegrass

**Luke McCormick**  
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Greensky Bluegrass' vehicle has to be due for an oil change soon.

The Kalamazoo, Mich., band has been touring the country for the past five years, including a stop at the Copper Dragon last spring.

According to the band's Web site, it "plays traditional bluegrass instruments and uses them to create original songs and soundscapes that are unique and new, yet somehow feel comfortable and familiar."

The bluegrass group will bring its live show at 7 p.m. today to Turley Park for this week's Sunset Concert.

The DAILY EGYPTIAN spoke with Paul Hoffman, one of the band's vocalists and its mandolin player.

**DAILY EGYPTIAN:** How did you guys get started as a band?

**Paul Hoffman:** We have been a band for nine years and touring nationally for the past five. A couple of us met in town and we have been playing together ever since. We have recorded four albums and toured all over the country.

**DE:** With the band touring extensively, how important is its live performance?

**PH:** It's very important. Live shows in the music industry are where it's at. We love making records,

but playing the shows is why we got into it. People have been responding real well and even driving far to see us. It's very flattering.

**DE:** What can a crowd expect from a Greensky Bluegrass show?

**PH:** People may be able to expect what they didn't expect. My song-writing is pretty folksy, and as a band we try to sort of be a rock band in a bluegrass costume. We try to play bluegrass with edge and get a lot of energy into our music.

We consider our crowd a rowdier one, and we're OK with that.

**DE:** Is the band utilizing new technology (Twitter, Facebook, etc ...) to grow its fanbase?

**PH:** We've got all that online community stuff covered, I'm pretty sure we're doing it all. Our music is up on iTunes. I'm really into the digital music wave. I think it's a strong movement. It makes music more affordable for fans, including myself.

For the artist it's nice to not have commitment, there is no overhead for the artist. You don't have to produce a physical product. It opens the door for a lot of cool ideas.

**DE:** With so much time spent on the road, are there any plans for recording new material soon?

**PH:** We're pretty busy touring, but we've been doing some writing. We have also been planning on releasing

a new live album. It will have some longer versions of songs on the studio albums and some new tunes.

As we write new material we start playing it and letting it develop. On the last studio record, two-thirds of the songs we had been playing live already.

I hope with the next album there's a similar balance. A song can grow and develop playing it live, but putting together songs in the studio allows for a freedom to let the song come together.

**DE:** Is there anything else you would like to add?

**PH:** We're looking forward to coming back.



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29 Gets off the point  
30 First name in advice  
31 Bigger than med.  
33 "Skedaddle!"  
34 Birdie beater  
35 AK Steel Holding Corp., formerly  
36 Grande  
37 Marine combatants  
38 "Nature" author's monogram  
39 Diamond stat  
42 Indian bread  
46 Colonel Sanders trademark  
47 Prepared to be summoned  
48 Light, filled pastries  
49 Letter-shaped fastener  
50 Fabi of racing  
51 Available from Netflix, say  
52 String quartet member  
53 River herring  
54 Vegan staple  
55 Orwell's alma mater  
58 Water tester  
59 Barn bird  
60 Comprehend

**Across**  
1 Spill catcher  
4 Cornered  
9 A pump lacks one  
14 Sun Devils' sch.  
15 Cry of innocence  
16 Hogwash  
17 Strauss's "  
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18 Take on  
20 \_\_\_ artery, which supplies the kidneys  
22 Tee-hee  
23 Takeoff  
27 Expectorator sound  
28 River inlet  
29 Bando of the 1960s-'70s Athletics  
32 Take up  
38 Like some auto engines  
40 Daughter of King

Minos  
41 Takedown  
43 Place for a stud  
44 DUI's excess  
45 "Make \_\_\_ Away": Sheryl Crow song  
48 Take in  
53 Big name in art glass  
56 Sci-fi writer Asimov  
57 Takeout  
61 Windy City transportation gp.  
62 Union founded by Samuel Gompers, for short  
63 Y, sometimes  
64 Kenan's TV pal  
65 Kirsten of "Spider-Man"  
66 Land formation named for its usual shape  
67 Cannes condiment

**Down**  
1 Unfair judgment, slangily  
2 "Thar she blows!"  
3 Peel out  
4 Perspective  
5 Overly  
6 HVAC measure  
7 Band aid?  
8 Brewer's ingredient  
9 Flight segment  
10 Very short time  
11 Lemieux's milieu  
12 It adjoins the altar  
13 Rock: Pref.  
19 Bearded grazer  
21 Parting words  
24 Dry residue from molten liquid  
25 "\_\_\_ a stinker?": Bugs Bunny line  
26 N.C.'s capital

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### By Linda C. Black

**Today's Birthday** — You're full of enthusiasm and plans this year, and that's wonderful. Those plans won't all work, however. Just know that ahead of time. Feeling like you can do anything isn't enough. It's a good start, but work will be required. To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

**Aries (March 21-April 19)** — **Today is a 7** — Don't go full speed ahead yet. There are invisible dangers. Might anyone get jealous? You're about to find out.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)** — **Today is a 5** — Stay out of an argument that doesn't directly involve you. The solution may be obvious to you, but wait until they ask.

**Gemini (May 21-June 21)** — **Today is an 8** — Don't buy everything the salesperson suggests. You don't need all that stuff. Wait until they offer to pay for it.

**Cancer (June 22-July 22)** — **Today is a 7** — Don't fall for the bells, whistles or anything else you don't need. Even if it's cheap, don't pay more than you must.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)** — **Today is an 8** — A critic doesn't have anything substantial to say. Show compassion. Explain your stance again; you may win a convert.

**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** — **Today is a 5** — Be on the alert for breakdowns, yours and other people's. Some folks are excitable now. Steer them through rough seas.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** — **Today is an 8** — Make the decision to scratch something off your lists. Conduct a review of how you spend your time.

**Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** — **Today is a 5** — The others don't want your opinion, so just take notes on what they say and do. You'll notice a lack of consistency.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** — **Today is an 8** — You're OK, but there are snafus around. It's not a good time to travel. Have what you need delivered.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** — **Today is a 6** — Watch out for penguins offering wooden nickels. This isn't a good time to borrow or lend. Don't gamble, either.

**Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** — **Today is an 8** — A startling development makes you reconsider a philosophy you thought valid. You're committed to being open-minded.

**Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)** — **Today is a 6** — There's conflict between two of the other players. Hide while figuring this out. Do you really want to get involved?

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit [www.sudoku.org.uk](http://www.sudoku.org.uk).

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Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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Wednesday's answers

Jumbles: PERKY MAIZE CEMENT TRUSTY  
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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Mike Argirion and Jeff Knurek

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WHEN THE RUNNER DECIDED TO BECOME A NOVELIST, HE WAS ON ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

A: THE " " (Answers tomorrow)



# Saluki Insider

The Toronto Blue Jays have set their own deadline as far as trading Roy Halladay goes. Which team would benefit the most from acquiring him?



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Anybody really. But if I'm Roy Halladay, I want to go to Philly. That offense is unbelievable and if he goes there he probably won't lose a game for them. It would also make them favorites for the World Series. If the Phillies get Halladay, they will be looking at a repeat.

I would say the Cubs, but in the end it wouldn't matter because I'm sure the Cubs would still find a way to lose. I think the Los Angeles Dodgers would be a good fit for Halladay. They have a pretty good offense and solid pitching, but one more perennial all-star could push them to a National League Championship.

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Any team that gets Halladay will benefit exponentially. The better question is who will get him? The Cardinals have been rumored, but I doubt they'll trade away Colby Rasmus or Adam Wainwright. Yanks and Mets are always in the mix, although they say they aren't. Philly is Peter Gammons' best suitor. And you can never count out the Red Sox. Too many variables to call now. I think he'll stay put.

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## DEFENSE

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“Everything for us with a 3-4 (defense) starts with the nose guard and we have two good senior nose guards, Chris Arthur and Tony Colletti,” Lennon said.

The defensive ends, including Dolapo Adubifa, Jason Seaman and Chance Coda, are all capable athletes who look to provide more pressure off the ends next season,

Lennon said.

The Saluki secondary players came up big for the team last year as well. Most notably was third team All-American Korey Lindsey, who picked off six passes, two of which came in the team's first-round playoff loss.

But Lennon said Lindsey's ball hawking ability is also a credit to his other defensive backs.

“Brandon (Williams) was kind

“We’re going to treat that game like any other game. We’re not going up scared. We’re going up there to win the game.”

— Chris Dieker  
SIU quarterback

## VOLLEYBALL

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The team's mentality has switched from the underdog to a force to be reckoned with, she said. That swagger gives the team a better shot at valued recruits, such as the one she just brought in.

She said the newest group of players is the best class SIU has ever had, which she credits to the play of her seniors.

“The early phase of the program, coming into it, we just weren't winning ball games,” Winkler said. “This group — the Chas, the Marinas, the Kelsies — they've been the ones to help us attract better recruits.”

With returning experienced leaders to the floor and a pool of rising talent joining the team, Winkler said for the first time in her five years of

coaching the team will have the depth necessary to keep competitive from preseason to postseason matches.

Senior middle blocker Marina Medic said the team was extremely disappointed to miss the MVC Tournament by one slot, considering the amount of talent the team had. She said the hunger of the veterans has carried over to the incoming freshmen.

“I feel like this year our team is as close as you can get,” Medic said. “Every girl gets along with each other and the freshmen came in ready to go.”

Medic said the team is ready for the season ahead and the other team leaders are keeping their sights set on the future.

“Our seniors, that is all we're focusing on: winning and getting this team as far as we can,” she said. “Getting to the tournament isn't even a question.”

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— Marina Medic  
senior middle blocker

of overlooked. Teams were throwing away from him last year and that's where Korey got a little more of the action,” he said. “This year I don't think that you can pick on either one thinking that that's a weak area.”

At the safety positions, SIU returns both starters in Marty Rodgers and Mike McElroy. The Salukis also have experience coming off the sidelines at safety in Lance Caldwell and Rashad

Graham.

After an early playoff exit last season, the 2009 Salukis look to build in Lennon's second year as SIU's head coach, starting with Marshall University on Sept. 5.

“We are definitely excited about going up there,” said quarterback Chris Dieker. “We're going to treat that game like any other game. We're not going up scared. We're going up there to win the game.”

# Deputy: No plans to investigate Roethlisberger

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RENO, Nev. — Law enforcement officials in Nevada have no intention of opening a criminal investigation into allegations Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger raped a woman at a Lake Tahoe hotel-casino a year ago, the sheriff's department said Wednesday.

Douglas County Sheriff's Deputy Teresa Duffy said the accuser would have to file a criminal complaint to trigger an investigation into the incident the woman says occurred during a celebrity golf tournament last July while she was working as an executive VIP casino host at Harrah's Lake Tahoe.

“The victim is the only one who can do that,” Duffy told The Associated Press. “Unless there was a third party that actually witnessed the incident, which according to the civil case, was not the case here.”

The 31-year-old Nevada woman has filed a lawsuit saying the Super Bowl winning quarterback raped her in a hotel penthouse across the street from the golf course, a claim his lawyer vehemently denies.

She also accuses Harrah's officials, including the casino's chief of security, of orchestrating a cover-up of the incident she says she reported to him the next day. The lawsuit alleges Harrah's officials worked to silence her and undermine her credibility rather than investigate her claims.

The woman, a native of Canada who had worked at Harrah's Lake

Tahoe hotel-casino since 2003, never went to outside authorities with her story, and it's unclear why she decided to file the lawsuit seeking hundreds of thousands of dollars a year after the alleged incident.

Her lawsuit says she didn't file a criminal complaint because she feared Harrah's would side with Roethlisberger — a friend of the hotel-casino's regional president John Koster — and she would be fired.

She said the security chief, Guy Hyder, told her she was “over reacting,” that “most girls would feel lucky to get to have sex with someone like Ben Roethlisberger” and that “Koster would love you even more if he knew about this.”

The lawsuit said she was treated between last August and December at five different hospitals for depression and anxiety stemming from the alleged assault, and returned to work each time after treatment.

She sought legal counsel in March after Harrah's officials told her Roethlisberger was invited to play in the 2009 celebrity golf tournament and ordered her to take a paid two-week leave during the event, the lawsuit said, “to accommodate her assailant.” The tournament took place last week.

Cal Dunlap, the Reno lawyer who filed her lawsuit in Washoe County District Court on Friday, said neither he nor the woman will comment.

Dunlap is the former county district attorney who also represents Nevada first lady Dawn Gibbons in divorce proceedings against Republican Gov. Jim Gibbons. Dunlap refused to discuss

the woman's whereabouts.

On Wednesday, she was not at the property where she has been living in rural Douglas County. The old dairy farm about 20 miles from Lake Tahoe has a main farm house and several outbuildings, some of which appear to be rented out as apartments.

Roethlisberger lawyer David Cornwell said in a statement earlier this week that the quarterback has “never sexually assaulted anyone.” He said timing of the lawsuit and absence of a criminal complaint proves his innocence.

Harrah's officials said they do not comment on pending legal matters.

The lawsuit seeks a minimum of \$440,000 in damages from the quarterback, at least \$50,000 in damages from eight Harrah's officials and an unspecified amount of punitive damages “sufficient to deter” Roethlisberger and the others “from engaging in such conduct in the future.”

Meanwhile, Roethlisberger intends to stick to his plans to participate in Shaquille O'Neal's new reality TV series. He canceled a news conference set for Thursday to promote the show, but ABC spokesman Edwin Escobar said in an e-mail Wednesday that production will proceed as scheduled Friday.

In the show “Shaq Vs.” debuting Aug. 18, Roethlisberger is one of the athletes the NBA star will challenge in their respective sports.

Roethlisberger has twice led the Steelers to Super Bowl victories in his five-year career and is one of the biggest names in sports.



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Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger celebrates as the Pittsburgh Steelers beat the Arizona Cardinals 27-23 in Super Bowl XLIII at Raymond James Stadium in Tampa, Fla., February 1.





FOOTBALL

## Defense looks to trip up opposition



**Safety Marty Rodgers converges on New Hampshire wide receiver Terrance Fox during the teams' playoff game Nov. 29. Rodgers was one of four SIU defenders named to the MVFC preseason first team.**

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SIU's defense looks to build on last year's success

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After a season of dominating offenses, the SIU football team hopes to keep the pressure on.

The team returns all but one starter from the 2008 season, in which the stout defense led the team to a 9-3 record and a share of the Missouri Valley Football Conference championship.

West Frankfort native and senior inside linebacker Ryan Patton said it's huge for the team not only to be returning so many starters, but also a large number of reserves.

"The biggest thing is the amount of guys we have behind us coming back in. We have 20, 25 guys that played a lot and that may as well have been starters," he said. "So we're excited about that. A lot of chemistry."

**"We have confidence in each other, and it's not one guy trying to make every play, and that's what makes it so great."**

— Ryan Patton  
SIU inside linebacker

Starting alongside Patton, the linebacker corps brings back two pre-season all-conference players in Chauncey Mixon and Brandin Jordan.

Jordan was a first team all-conference member last season and Mixon was a third team all-conference member.

The linebackers are looking to improve on their already stellar play.

"We just have a lot of talented guys. We have seven, eight guys that played the position and know their job and do it really well," Patton said. "We have confidence in each other, and it's not one guy trying to make every play, and that's what makes it so great."

Everything on the defense starts with the big men up front, Patton said, and head coach Dale Lennon agreed.

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VOLLEYBALL

## Seniors prepare for final-season rally

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Brenda Winkeler is excited to see the fruits of her recruiting labor come alive on the court this season.

Winkeler, head coach of the volleyball team, said her team is equipped with depth, strength and smarts as it strives to surpass records in and out of Davies Gym. She said members of her first recruiting class as well as her latest will be instrumental.

"Kelsie (Laughlin), (Chandra Roberson) and Marina (Medic) are kids that came in our first recruiting class and (Roberson) will now only need 35 blocks to be the best blocker in all-time history," Winkeler said. "We have experience coming back and we have a great group of kids that are coming in."

Roberson is in line to break the record of Sonya Locke, an All-American who played for SIU from 1979 to 1982 and coached the team



throughout the 1990s.

The Salukis also have what it takes to make a mark in the classroom. The team's cumulative grade point average of 3.5 was enough to earn it the American Volleyball Coaches Association Academic Award Wednesday.

The Missouri Valley Conference preseason poll comes out next week and Winkeler said she's confident the team will place well in that also. With SIU football predicted to finish second in the MVFC, Winkeler said she feels her fall sport could be just as competitive.

"I think that's going to be the biggest difference this year, is our kids walking in the gym saying, 'Hey last year we didn't beat Northern Iowa, we didn't beat Illinois State, but we got it down to the wire,'" Winkeler said.

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FANTASTIC FANTASIES

## Tricks of the trade



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It's nearing that time of the year.

Major League Baseball All-Stars will get traded away from their last place teams to playoff contenders.

It's also the time for fantasy owners to start paying attention to fantasy league trades.

At this time of the year, many owners have already given up on their season and are willing to make trades that upset the rest of their division.

Be alert about this and veto any trade that does not make sense.

If you see Elvis Andrus about to get traded for Hanley Ramirez, it's best that you interfere so you can save your season.

If your team is in the middle of the pack, start looking for trade opportunities.

Make sure you look at your specific team needs and don't go after a player who is in a position that is already solid for you.

It is also wise to look at your trading partner's needs.

If they are asking you to trade one of your starting pitchers for one of their outfielders, only accept it if their starting pitching already ranks in the top half of your league.

Sure, they will be adding one more solid starter, but unless that starter pulls a C.C. Sabathia in the second half, it isn't going to help their stats too much.

Keep an eye out for closers.

There are sure to be plenty of them on the move this season, and they could affect your team.

**"If you see Elvis Andrus about to get traded for Hanley Ramirez, it's best that you interfere so you can save your season."**

When J.J. Putz signed with the New York Mets last year after they had already signed Francisco Rodriguez, it immediately made his fantasy value disappear.

I wouldn't be surprised if more Major League teams started looking for similar deals.

It makes sense for Major League teams to look for closers to do nothing more than bolster their relief pitching. The rich get richer, as they say.

Although it's repetitive in fantasy baseball, it's important to pay attention to trades in real baseball so you can make the best deals in your own league.